## **OUR LADY OF LOURDES CHURCH**

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## SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT - YEAR A 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> December 2022

Mon	10:00	Devotions
Tue	10:00	Mass
Wed	10:00	Mass – St Ambrose
Thu	10:00 18:15 – 18:45 19:00	Mass - Immaculate Conception Confessions Mass - Immaculate Conception
Fri	07:00 10:00	Mass Mass
Sat	09:00 - 09:45 09:15 - 09:45 10:00 16:15 - 16:45	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament Confessions Mass Confessions.

# THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT - YEAR A 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> December 2022

	17:00	Vigil Mass of Sunday
Sun	09:00	Sunday Mass
	11:00	Mass
	14:00	Autism Friendly Mass

During Advent there will be an additional Mass on Friday at 07:00.

#### THIS WEEK'S READINGS

ISAIAH 11:1-10

A shoot springs from the stock of Jesse

PSALM 71(72):1-2,7-8,12-13,17

In his days justice shall flourish, and peace till the moon fails.

ROMANS 15:4-9

Christ is the saviour of all men

**MATTHEW 3:1-12** 

The one who follows me will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire

#### **REFLECTION ON THE READINGS**

John the Baptist makes his first of two Advent appearances today. His dress recalls the Prophet Elijah, but the language used to describe his actions and teaching is that of the anonymous prophet of the exile, the wilderness voice figure. When John sees Pharisees and Sadducees approaching for baptism, his words are uncompromising. He warns that their request for baptism must be accompanied by the signs that they have truly embraced the kingdom of God.

#### PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

#### THE SICK

John Gould, Margaret Gannon, Jan McKnight, Mary (May) McCann, Nora Houston, Terry Cassidy

## RECENTLY DECEASED

Jim McFadden, John Kennedy, Nicky Cavanagh, Thomas Woods, Stephen Neil, Frances O'Donnell, Donella Bartlett, Una Sillars, Bernadette Johnstone, Gerard Divers

## <u>ANNIVERSARIES, MONTH'S MINDS, BIRTHDAY</u> REMEMBRANCES

Rita Kelly, Mary Ann Lynch, Jeannie Cook, Cathie Russell, Robert Cook Snr., Graham Stelmach, Elizabeth Mooney, Jimmy Ferguson, Harry Carrol, Agnes McDonald, Peter & Molly Rooney, Rita Kelly

## **COLLECTIONS & DONATIONS - THANK YOU.**

Last Sunday's Offerings	£1,651
Votive Candles	£165
Stall	£244

#### **CHRISTMAS MASSES**

Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> December: Children's Mass at 17:00. Carol Service and Mass at 20:30. Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> December: Christmas Day Mass at 09:00 and 11:00.

#### **WEEKLY PRAYER GROUPS**

## NOVENA, ROSARY AND PRAYER FOR PRIESTS

Tuesday, Wednesday, and Friday before Mass at 09.25 and after Mass on a Saturday.

#### MOTHERS' PRAYER GROUP

Tuesday after Mass in the Oratory.

## PRO-LIFE PRAYER GROUP

Wednesday in the Oratory after Mass

#### PRAYER FOR PRIESTS & VOCATIONS

Friday at 13:30 in the Church, Stations of the Cross and Divine Mercy Chaplet.

## SOCIETY OF ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY ROSARY

First Tuesday of the month at 19:00 in the Oratory.

All Welcome

#### **NEXT WEEK'S READINGS**

ISAIAH 35:1-6,10

God himself is coming to save you

PSALM 145(146):6-10

Come, Lord, and save us.

JAMES 5:7-10

Do not lose heart; the Lord's coming will be soon

#### MATTHEW 11:2-11

A greater than John the Baptist has never been seen.'

#### **REGULAR EVENTS IN THE HALL**

NEGOLAR EVERTS IN THE HALL				
Tue	09:00	Knitting and Craft Group		
	19:30	Bingo		
Wed		Café after morning Mass		
Thu	10:30	Mother and Toddler Group		
	13:00	Friendship Group		
All Welcome				

## **FORTHCOMING SERVICES, EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES**

## **COFFEE MORNING & HOME BAKING**

This Sunday after the 11:00 Mass. Organised by our young people to raise money for a SCIAF project to bring water to a village. Our young people have worked hard for this, so please support them.

### FOODBANK COLLECTION

This weekend, for Loaves and Fishes and the Community Foodbank. Our last collection before Christmas. You have been donating for eight years and your generosity has been remarkable. Thank you so much for this and your anticipated kindness in advance of Christmas.

## ANNUAL MASS FOR DECEASED CLERGY

This Tuesday, 6<sup>th</sup> December at 19:00. St Mary's Church, Coatbridge. This year we remember especially the priests who have died in 2022: Canon Willie Dunnachie, Monsignor Thomas O'Hare, Canon Michael Walsh and Canon Willie O'Sullivan.

## SCRIPTURE EVENING

This Wednesday, 7<sup>th</sup> December at 19:00, an evening of prayer and reflection on Scripture for all in the parish, but especially our Readers. It will include an introduction to the Gospel of Matthew, then some time in prayer before the Blessed Sacrament and Benediction.

## SOLEMNITY OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

This Thursday, 8<sup>th</sup> December. It is great feast to come to and as usual there will be Mass at 10:00 and 19:00.

#### **AUTISM FRIENDLY MASS**

Next Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> December at 14:00.

## KILBRYDE HOSPICE

See the poster in the porch for the various events the hospice is running in December.

#### **OTHER NOTICES**

## K-OTIC CHRISTMAS SHOWS

K-otic is a drama club for adults with disabilities. They are having Christmas shows in the parish hall and you are all invited. Shows start at 19:30 with tickets priced £5 paid at the door:

- Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> December Christmas through the Ages
- Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> December Elf
- Friday 16<sup>th</sup> December Snow White

## **CHRISTMAS TOY APPEAL**

This year we will continue our established tradition of gifting toys to children in the east end of Glasgow. Please bring along wrapped toys that are in good condition with age and gender indicated and leave them in the porch. They will be delivered to St Dominic's, Craigend, where Fr O'Brien's team will organise appropriate distribution.

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